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SUBJECT: UNESCO GENEVA GROUP MEETING

1. AT MEETING UNESCO GENEVA GROUP POSSIBLE FORMATION OF SOME SORT OF "WESTERN AND OTHERS" GROUP WHICH COULD DISCUSS ALL ISSUES WAS DISCUSSED. AS EXPECTED FRANCE OPPOSED ANY SUCH GROUP, BUT MOST OTHER MEMBERS REACTED FAVORABLY ALTHOUGH WITHOUT ANY INSTRUCTIONS FROM THEIR GOVERNMENTS.

2. DISCUSSION WAS NOT MEANT TO CONVERT GENEVA GROUP INTO FORUM FOR DISCUSSION OF POLITICAL TOPICS AND ALL

CONCURRED THAT NO CHANGE OF REFERENCE IN GENEVA GROUP MANDATE INTENDED. HOWEVER, CLEAR NEED FELT FOR SOME GATHERING OF LIKE MINDED WESTERN STATES SO THAT ACTIONS CAN BE COORDINATED AND VIEWS FREELY EXCHANGED.

3. GENEVA GROUP MEMBERS AGREED SEEK INSTRUCTIONS FROM THEIR GOVERNMENTS ON WHETHER OR HOW BEST TO PROCEED. LEAD BEING TAKEN BY CANADIANS, BELGIUMS AND FRG AND LIKELY THESE DELEGATIONS WILL RECEIVE AFFIRMATIVE INSTRUCTIONS TO PROCEED ON A AT LEAST AN INFORMAL BASIS.

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4. IN ACCORD US DESIRE DISCUSS POLITIZATION OF SPECIAL-

IZATION AGENCIES IDEA FOR SOME SORT OF INFORMAL GROUP-
ING WHERE ISSUES CAN BE DISCUSSED SEEMS USEFUL.
TOO EARLY PREDICT WHETHER MOVE WILL SUCCEED OR WHAT
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